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FIFTY THOUSAND KILLED BY EARTHQUAKE

Italian Cities Visited Yesterday by Terrible Cataclysm

ONE OF THE GREATEST DISASTERS IN THE HISTORY OF THE WORLD, OCCURRING THROUGH NATURAL PHENOMENON, TOOK PLACE IN ITALY LAST EVENING, WHEN THE PENINSULA WAS ROCKED LIKE A BOAT AT SEA. WALLS CRUMBLLED, STRUCTURES FELL, CREVICES OPENED IN THE EARTH AND TENS OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE WERE ENGULFED OR BURIED BENEATH THE WRECKAGE, WHICH, AT AN EARLY HOUR THIS MORNING WERE ESTIMATED AT 50,000 DEAD.

(By Associated Press.)

ROME, Jan. 14.—The horror of the earthquake is increased by the passing hours and it now threatens to take place with the greatest catastrophe in the history of Europe, perhaps succeeded only by the Messina disaster of 1908. The list of dead, dying and injured has already grown to more than 50,000, according to official announcements, and it is naturally expected that the number will be augmented as the day passes and communication is re-established with the stricken cities.

The full extent of the property losses is undetermined and probably will never be accurately estimated. In Rome many priceless statues and centuries old buildings were destroyed or damaged. The area of disturbance greatly exceeds that of Messina. It covers all of central Italy from Naples to the south to Ferrara to the north.

The most disastrous disturbances appear to have centered in the vicinity of Avezzano, where 15,000 people were killed or injured, according to the latest accounts. The earthquake belt is estimated to be 300 miles long, extending virtually from one side of Italy to the other. In Abruzzi, Latium and Campania the earthquake reached the highest degree, described by scientists as "cataclysmic."

Special trains have been dispatched, carrying physicians and nurses, by the government to aid the stricken people of the interior. The king and his retinue have departed for Avezzano to assist in the work of caring for the injured and burying the dead. Relief committees are being organized in each locality under the direction of a central committee headed by Premier Salandra. Soldiers have been sent to establish tent colonies. The town of Avezzano was virtually destroyed by the earthquake, not a building being left standing and nearly the entire population crushed under the ruins. The dead in this city alone are estimated at 8,000.

KAISER WILHELM PERSONALLY IN COMMAND OF TROOPS AS VICTORY IS GAINED BY GERMANY IN FRANCE

(By Associated Press.)

BERLIN, Jan. 14.—Within two hours' motor ride of Paris the Kaiser is directing a violent attack on the French. The Germans, under the eyes of the ruler, won an important victory in the fighting near Soissons. The Germans, charging through the mud, took trench after trench, clearing the heights of Vregny, capturing four French officers and 1100 men.

(By Associated Press.)

PETROGRAD, Jan. 14.—Furious fighting is taking place in Russian Poland. The Russians on the north are pushing towards East Prussia and in the region of Mlawa have captured several villages. In the center the Germans made four attacks in 48 hours. They forced back the Russians and took much ground.

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Jan. 14.—A feature of the war news is the resignation of Count Von Berchtold, the Austrian foreign minister. Some maintain that his action indicates that a crisis in the affairs of the dual monarchy is at hand.

(By Associated Press.)

PETROGRAD, Jan. 14.—Russia has once again undertaken the offensive against two of the three nations she is fighting. After a period of inactivity the forces on the north are attempting to penetrate East Prussia, where Russia a few months ago sustained one of the most severe defeats of the war. The Russians are again engaged in heavy fighting with the Turks in Caucasus, resulting in large losses to the Turks.

(By Associated Press.)

CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 14.—Assisted by Persian troops, the Turks are advancing on Azerbaijan, in the province of Persia, with the object to deliver that country from the Russian yoke.

TONOGOLD LEASERS FEEL ENCOURAGED

ONE PROPERTY WILL SOON
SEND 100 SACKS OF ORE
FOR TREATMENT

Chas. Toland, in charge of the Campbell-Kelly lease at Tonogold, is busily engaged in sucking a quantity of good milling ore between 65 and 80 feet depth in the shaft and expects to have about 100 sacks ready to send to the mill in the course of the next few days.

The Arizona Leasing company's shaft is down in the neighborhood of 85 feet and Manager Bathurst reports the vein as holding up splendidly in both values and size.

BOUNTIES WILL BE PAID
FOR CAPTURED OFFICERS

(By Associated Press.)
PETROGRAD, Jan. 14.—The Russian government has decided to make cash allowances to captured officers at the following rates: Generals, \$750 a year; staff officers, \$450; all other officers, \$300.

Charles Martin Kills Himself

A telephone message from Manhattan states that Charles Martin killed himself there last night, but gives no details as to the tragedy. Mr. Martin was for some time toolsharpening at the Tonopah Extension. Recently he spent a few months at Aurora working in the mines. He has no relatives in Tonopah.

LEGISLATION FOR LABOR DISCUSSED

TONOPAH DELEGATE MAKES REPORT TO LOCAL BRANCH OF WESTERN FEDERATION

At a called meeting of the Tonopah local, No. 121, Western Federation of Miners, a report was received from Thos. M. Fagan, who was sent as a delegate to the convention of labor union representatives, called by Governor Boyle for consultation as to proposed legislation for the benefit of the workers. The conference, which met in the gubernatorial office on January 11, was attended by representatives of various organizations from all parts of the state. The session lasted for six hours.

Governor Boyle stated in his call that he was in favor of the conciliatory act proposed, one which is similar to that in force in Canada. A discussion of this bill was general. Some of the delegates amused the others by addressing his excellency as "brother member." Finally the bill was turned down by an almost unanimous vote. In discussing the proposed amendment to the compensation act it was requested that the waiting period of 14 days be stricken out and that compensation be increased from 5 to 60 per cent, while the period of disability be increased from 100 to 200 months and medical and surgical attendance at the time of the injury be provided.

In discussing the dust bill it was pointed out that there was a fundamental defect in the present law, in that its enforcement is made obligatory upon the state inspector of mines, who has such a large territory to cover that it is impossible for him to attend to this matter. It was suggested that the responsibility be placed upon the mining companies and that they be compelled to parallel every air line with a water line.

CALL ANSWERED BY AN OLD PROSPECTOR

JOHN BARCLAY, WHO ROAMED
DESERT FOR MANY YEARS,
IS DEAD

Suffering from pneumonia and senility, John Barclay, a veteran prospector and miner, died this morning at 3 o'clock at the county hospital. He was aged 74 years and was a native of New York. His wife died some years ago and his only known relative is a son, who is somewhere in eastern Nevada, and the officials are endeavoring to reach him by wire. The body will be kept at Kavanaugh's undertaking parlors until word is received as to its disposition. There is a rumor that he has wealthy relatives in Chicago, but their address is not known. The decedent came recently to Tonopah from Manhattan, where he fell ill.

VALUABLE PAINTING IS
DESTROYED BY FIRE

(By Associated Press.)
ST. LOUIS, Jan. 14.—Among the valuable art works destroyed in the home of Jackson Johnson, millionaire shoe manufacturer, which was burned today, was the painting "Viscountess Melville" by Sir Thomas Lawrence. A \$10,000 electric organ, the Christmas gift of Mr. Johnson to his family, was destroyed. Mr. Johnson estimated the total loss at \$200,000.

TODAY AND A YEAR AGO.

Official readings of the thermometer by the United States observer at Tonopah:	1915	1914
5 a. m.	26	30
9 a. m.	28	36
12 noon	31	42
2 p. m.	36	42

BROADHORNS HAVE HERD AUGMENTED

SECRET SOCIETY NEWS GAINED BY PEEPING THROUGH LODGE ROOM KEYHOLES

The Tonopah blue lodge and the Royal Arch chapter of Masonry installed officers last evening and followed the work with a social session.

Over 50 members of the local council of Knights of Columbus have given notice that they will go to Goldfield Sunday for the work of the order there. If 25 additional names can be secured, there will be a special train run.

The Pythian Sisters have postponed their installation of officers in order to participate in a joint installation with the Knights of Pythias.

Last evening the Loyal Order of Moose, Tonopah lodge No. 974, initiated three mooselets into the order and gave them something to ponder over. The ceremony took place in Odd Fellows' hall. The Tonopah lodge now numbers 300 members.

The Tonopah lodge of Elks will have its regular semi-monthly dance this evening. An entirely new orchestra, under the direction of Prof. Gilliam of Denver, will direct the musicians. A light lunch will be served.

ROSS IS APPOINTED STATE BANK EXAMINER

Late Monday afternoon Governor Boyle named Hon. Gilbert C. Ross as state bank examiner. The announcement came as no surprise, as it had been currently stated that he would be named for the position as soon as Frank C. Williams' resignation was filed.

The appointment of Mr. Ross is a popular one and places a thoroughly competent man in that office, which is one of the most important positions in the state. Besides the executive experience which Mr. Ross has acquired during a four years' term as lieutenant governor of the state, he possesses a thorough knowledge of the banking business, learned through several years' work behind counter and at the desk.

NEVADA LADY UNDERGOES OPERATION SUCCESSFULLY

A. C. Wardle this afternoon received a telegram from Salt Lake City stating that his mother was operated upon there yesterday and that it was very successful, although she will be compelled to remain in the hospital for about a month. She is aged 65 years and for many years was a resident of Austin, but recently has been residing with her son, S. A. Wardle of Salt Lake City.

HIGHEST PRICE FOR RYE SINCE THE CIVIL WAR

(By Associated Press.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 14.—Flour, mill stuffs, beans and barley all recorded substantial gains. Flour advanced 40 cents a barrel.

EARTHQUAKE HORROR SURPASSES EVEN THE DISASTER THAT OVERTOOK THE SOUTHERN PROVINCES SIX YEARS AGO

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Jan. 4.—A dispatch from Rome states that the disaster surpasses the Messina catastrophe. The ruin is more widespread and the loss of life and injuries are greater.

(By Associated Press.)

ROME, Jan. 4.—The destruction of Avezzano, a community of 12,000 people, by the earthquake is virtually complete. There is good authority for the statement that not more than 10 per cent of the population survived.

(By Associated Press.)

ROME, Jan. 14.—About 100 people were killed in the towns near Rome. Queen Helena expressed sorrow that she was obliged to remain in bed, owing to the recent birth of the princess. She said that she desired to give succor to the victims. The pope of Rome has expressed his profound grief. He said that he wished that he could go to give comfort to the distressed. The registration of the earthquake in the observatory at Naples showed that it lasted 40 seconds. So violent was the disturbance that the needles in the seismograph were broken.

(By Associated Press.)

ROME, Jan. 14.—The streets of Avezzano are piled with stone and brick. Rescuers are digging for bodies. The towns of Santelino, Paterno, Cenchio, Collarmerie, Pescina and San Benedetto were virtually destroyed. In Sora the estimated dead are 400. Two-thirds of the houses are down. In Rossi the palace is ruined. The dead in Avezzano include the subprefect, his family and the whole staff of the prefecture and staff of the law courts, the mayor and members of the council. Of 100 soldiers in the garrison only five escaped.

(By Associated Press.)

ROME, Jan. 14.—Several more earthquakes occurred this morning and caused the collapse of buildings already damaged. Several people aiding in the rescue work were injured in the various towns.

FOREIGN FLAG WILL FLUTTER THROUGH CANAL

(By Associated Press.)

CHRISTIANIA, Jan. 4.—Taking advantage of the opening of the Panama canal, Frederick Olsen, one of Norway's greatest ship owners, has contracted for three 10,000-ton freight steamers, which will begin service early in 1916 between Norway and ports on the west coast of the United States. Pending the completion of these new ships some older Olsen vessels will be pressed into service.

PUBLIC WEIGHMASTER TO BE CALIFORNIA OFFICIAL

(By Associated Press.)
SACRAMENTO, Jan. 14.—The weights and measures bill introduced by Assemblyman Widenmann provides for a public weighmaster. The idea is to protect the farmers and truck gardeners. Every article to be weighed will be certified. Short weight complaints inspired the bill.

GOVERNOR OF SOUTH CAROLINA HAS RESIGNED

(By Associated Press.)
COLUMBIA, Jan. 14.—Governor Bleas, whose term expires January 19, has resigned. The resignation has been accepted by the senate. No reason was given. It is reported that he heard of the legislature conference for a proposal for his impeachment, made, and later abandoned.

MAY WHEAT REACHES RECORD BREAKING PRICE

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, Jan. 14.—A new record was established in the wheat market when may wheat reached \$1.42 1/2.

C. F. KOCH HELD ON CHARGE OF GRAND LARCENY IN EAST

CHIEF EVANS MAKES ARREST ON
TELEGRAPHIC REQUEST
FROM DULUTH

Upon telegraphic request of the chief of police of Duluth, Minnesota, C. F. Koch, a German about 43 years, was arrested shortly after noon yesterday in a local lodging house by Chief of Police Evans and is being held in the county jail awaiting the arrival of extradition papers from the governor of Minnesota. Koch's capture was brought about through the efforts of C. A. Pond, chief special agent of the Oliver Iron Mining company at Duluth, who traced him through several large eastern cities and who arrived in Tonopah yesterday morning, where by the prompt and efficient work of Chief Evans Koch's arrest was caused as stated above.

Koch is alleged to have defrauded the Duluth and Iron Range Railroad company of a large sum of money by shamming personal injuries in December last and is said to have been indicted by the grand jury of St. Louis county, Minn., recently on a charge of grand larceny in the first degree, since which time the search for him has led the officers more than 2000 miles. An officer bearing extradition papers from the governor of Minnesota is said to be en route to this state for the purpose of returning Koch to Duluth for trial.